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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)

Docket Number (Optional) A34634 -070378.0108

First named inventor: John R. Mruz

Group Art Unit: 2817

Application Number: 09/896,171

Examiner: Benny T. Lee

Filed: June 29, 2002

Title: SWITCHABLE RF POWER DIVIDER/COMBINER

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450, Alexandria Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee--required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and
- (4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay

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3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee		
Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.		
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LETTER ACCOMPANYING PETITION TO REVIVE

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions to revive the above-captioned application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(a). For the reasons set forth below, abandonment of the application was unavoidable. As set forth below, the abandonment was based on a failure to reply to an office action which was not received by the applicants or their counsel within the statutory period to respond to the action.

The above-captioned application was the subject of a Status Letter mailed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 17, 2004. In the Status Letter, it was noted that no communication had been received from the Patent Office since applicants' October 8, 2003 filing

of a Request for Continued Examination.

On August 20, 2004, Baker Botts received a telephone call from Examiner Lee, responding to the Status Letter, informing applicants' counsel that the application was abandoned as a result of a failure to respond to an Office Action purported to have been mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in January 2004.

The undersigned has conducted an internal investigation and has determined that our Docketing Department has no record of ever receiving an Office Action for this file from the Patent Office on or about January or February 2004. Indeed, to date, we have no record of ever receiving the Office Action from the Patent Office.

During the August 20, 2004 telephone call, Examiner Lee indicated that he would issue a Notice of Abandonment for this application. A review of the file in early October 2004 indicated that the Notice of Abandonment was not yet received. As a result of a further investigation conducted by the undersigned, a copy of the Office Action dated January 30, 2004, and a Notice of Abandonment dated August 24, 2004, were located on PAIR and printed by the undersigned on October 20, 2004 from PAIR's image retrieval system. A review of both the Office Action and Notice of Abandonment indicate that the Attorney Docket Number on these Patent Office communications is incorrect. The correct docket number for this file is A34634 - 070378.0108; the number reflected on the Patent Office papers is A30904 - 070378.0107.

A review of our File A30904 (the file referenced on the Patent Office papers) conducted on October 20, 2004 uncovered the August 24, 2004 Notice of Abandonment. This inquiry did not locate any record of Baker Botts receipt of the January 30, 2004 Office Action, which resulted in the abandonment of the above-referenced application.

A response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2004 is filed herewith.

For the reasons set forth above, the undersigned hereby avers that any delay in

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responding to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2004 was entirely <u>unavoidable</u>. Applicant respectfully requests that this Petition to Revive Application be granted. Applicant further requests correction of the Patent Office files to reflect the proper attorney docket number of A34634 - 070378.0108.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00 for the fee for this Petition fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l). Applicants do not believe that any additional fee is required in connection with the submission of this document. However, should any fee be required, or if any overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayments made, to Deposit Account 02-4377. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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